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## WITH THANKFUL HEARTS

### *Praises*

- Brendaline was finally discharged at the end of October after a long battle of closing the amputation site.
- Ten applicants for the two positions being advertised for Pathology lab staff.
- Rick received several boxes of equipment for the path lab on the last White Cross container that arrived last month.
- Good health and strength.
- Volunteer doctors who continue to come and support our training programs.

### *Prayer*

- For Brendaline's stump healing so she can be fitted for a prosthesis as soon as possible and for her diabetes to be controlled.
- For wisdom in choosing the best candidates for the path lab positions.
- For more volunteer pathologists to come during our furlough.
- Continue to pray for peace and the end of the conflict.
- For our furlough from mid-December to mid-March – safe travels and good family, friends, and church connections.

*I will thank you Lord among all the people [. . .] Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds [. . .]*

*May your glory shine over all the earth.*

PSALM 57:9–11 (NLT)



*We never get tired of these views! From the hospital conference room (L) and our backyard (R).*



Greetings from lush, green Mbingo!

We are at our favorite time of year. The heavy rains are diminishing, the temperatures are still very moderate (60s-70s), and all is very green and no Harmattan dust yet!! Even though we have passed through times of unrest here, we are amazed and grateful that God has called us to serve in such a beautiful place, a place where we can share our faith freely and often see lives healed physically and spiritually as well.



The new slide (top) and tissue block (bottom) storage unit.

Rick recently received for his pathology lab several boxes of equipment in the NAB White Cross container that arrived in October. Southwestern Medical Clinic Foundation provided the items seen above and to the left. Thank you SWMF!

Another exciting happening in the pathology lab is they will soon be receiving some lab

staff to help with processing tissue. An ad was placed last month for additional pathology lab staff. Ten people have applied. An exam will be administered, then interviews will be conducted. Two people will be chosen. This will help prevent the crisis that always occurs when either of our two more skilled staff go on leave.

Pray that God will give wisdom and discernment to the committee and the best will be chosen. Rick's main desire is that those chosen will have a heart for God and for the work.

Rick is continuing his mentorship with Dr. Mbanga. Rick is grateful for his great attitude and teachable spirit. Even though we spoke in our last newsletter of the backlog of work for Rick when he returned from our visit stateside, it would have been worse if Dr. Mbanga had not been on seat.

Debbie is also grateful for Olivia, who is the person who was hired to help her in her data entry work last November. She is now full-time in her department, so that's why Debbie has some freedom to be involved in other activities, as you have been seeing. Even though Debbie's role in the department is still primarily data entry for patient claims so the hospital can be reimbursed by grant funds given to HIV care, her favorite part of being there is seeing the patients and encouraging them spiritually through Bible verses and prayer.

Bertrand, the young man Rick has been discipling, is now headed for a university in Bamenda to pursue a degree in Pharmacy. He has completed the Navigators Topical Memory System with Rick and also memorized several chapters in Romans. He has a real heart for God and His Word. Pray for him to stay strong as he enters university.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year to All! May Christ be the Center!

In His Matchless Love,

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